

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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PROXY WAR IN JAMMU AND KASHMIR
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government have finalized a Specific plan to stamp out Pakistan sponsored proxy war in J&K; and
(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)

(a) & (b): To contain Pakistan sponsored Proxy War in Jammu & Kashmir, the Government, co-jointly with the State Government, has adopted a multi-pronged approach which includes, inter-alia, strengthening border management to check infiltration; pro-active action against terrorists within J&K gearing up intelligence machinery; greater functional integration through an institutional frame-work of Operation Groups and Intelligence Groups of the Unified Headquarters(UHQ) at all levels; improved technology, weapons and equipments for security forces; and action as per law against supporters of the terrorists.

The strategies, tactics and dynamic deployment to counter the terrorists are constantly reviewed, refined and monitored in the Unified Headquarters in the State and in Operations Groups at various levels.

Apart from the above measures, militant outfits, namely JeM, LeT, HM, HUM, AUM and JKIF have since been declared as terrorist organisations on 24.10.2001 under Section 18 of the Prevention of Terrorism Ordinance 2001.